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FM AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5375

INFO AMEMBASSY CAIRO

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AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

AMEMBASSY TUNIS

C O N F I D E N T I A L ALGIERS 2590

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, MOPS, AG, LY

SUBJECT: LATRECHE VISIT TO TRIPOLI

REF: TRIPOLI 1357

1. ALGERIAN PRESS CARRIED BRIEF, FRONT-PAGE ANNOUNCEMENT  
OCT 27 QUOTING ARNA AS SAYING THAT LATRECHE HAD LED  
ALGERIAN MILITARY DELEGATION TO TRIPOLI FOR VISIT OF SEVERAL  
DAYS. NO FURTHER DETAILS GIVEN.

2. WE HAVE NO INFORMATION TO SUPPORT MOROCCAN AMBASSADOR  
TO TRIPOLI'S CONTENTION THAT LATRECHE VISITING THERE TO  
DISCUSS BORDER CLASHES BETWEEN ARMED FORCES OF TWO COUNTRIES.  
ONE POSSIBLE CAUSE OF SUCH CLASHES WOULD BE LIBYAN MAP  
SHOWING PART OF SOUTHEASTERN ALGERIA AS BEING WITHIN  
TERRITORY OF LIBYA. HOWEVER, ALGERIANS HAVE MADE NO PUBLIC  
REFERENCE TO HIS MAP, AND OUR IMPRESSION HAS BEEN THAT  
MATTER EITHER SETTLED QUIETLY BETWEEN BRETHREN OR BEING  
IGNORED FOR TIME BEING FOR SAKE OF GREATER GOALS, I.E.,  
SAHARA.

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3. ANOTHER LOGICAL REASON FOR LATRECHE VISIT WOULD BE

CONSULTATION WITH LIBYANS ON MILITARY ASSISTANCE LATTER  
APPARENTLY GIVING POLISARIO FOR ITS OPERATIONS IN SAHARA.  
OUR GENERAL UNDERSTANDING IS THAT ALGERIANS CONTROL MATERIEL  
COMING FROM LIBYA CLOSELY, AND IT MAY BE THAT SOME FRICTION  
HAS DEVELOPED IN THIS AREA.

4. WE WILL BE FOLLOWING UP ON THIS MATTER AND WILL BE  
MOST INTERESTED IN ANY FURTHER INFORMATION EMBASSY TRIPOLI  
MAY BE ABLE TO DEVELOP.PARKER

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